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Nicholas Thimmesch, deputy New York bureau chief of Time magazine, and Pete Hamill, national columnist for the New York Post, will join Newsday's Washington bureau in September.

Harry F. Guggenheim, president and editor in chief, announced today that Thimmesch, who is also New York political correspondent for Time, will take over as bureau chief at the end of September and Hamill will write a national column three times a week for Newsday beginning next month. Although based in Washington, Hamill will write on a wide range of events.

"We consider ourselves fortunate in having these two exceptionally able newspapermen join us," Guggenheim said. "As is Newsday's policy, we are constantly enlarging and improving our news staff to bring our readers the best balance of news, commentary and entertainment."



Thimmesch



Hamill

In coming to Newsday's Washington bureau, Thimmesch and Hamill join Washington columnist Clayton Fritchey, former assistant to President Truman and the late UN Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson; columnist Edward P. Morgan, veteran radio and television commentator; Joseph R. Slevin, economic columnist; prize-winning reporter Martin Schram and staff writer Myron S. Waldman.

Thimmesch, 39, was born in Dubuque, Iowa, and is a graduate of the State University of Iowa. After working for Iowa newspapers in Dubuque, Davenport and Des Moines, he was employed by Time Inc. in 1955. Following a period of general news coverage, Thimmesch began to specialize in the political field both on the state and national levels. He has written articles for several national magazines, other than Time, and is co-author of a book, "Robert Kennedy at Forty." He is married and the father of five children.

Hamill, 32, is a native of Brooklyn and studied art design and composition at night at Pratt Institute there while working days as an assistant advertising designer. After service in the U.S. Navy from 1952 to 1954, he studied painting under the GI Bill at Mexico City College in 1956 and 1957. Hamill started writing for the New York Post in June, 1960, where he won two citywide journalistic awards. He started his present wide-ranging column for the Post in October, 1965, and has written for many national magazines including the Saturday Evening Post and Reader's Digest. He is married and has two daughters.

Both Thimmesch and Hamill currently are working on books scheduled to be published next year.